

## 2009 LICENSE APPLICATION STEPS

### Step **1**: **MANDATORY INFORMATION**

- All information in box 1 must be filled in and complete
- Applications must be on a current year, department approved form. Photocopied applications with original signatures are acceptable.
- No power-of-attorney will be accepted
- Applications for individuals born on or after January 1, 1985 must attach a copy of the certificate verifying he/she has completed a course in the safe handling of firearms from any state or province
- Applications in error will not be processed
- Please read the enclosed refund policy carefully. Full refunds (100%) to successful license holders are granted only in the case of death. There is a penalty for all other refunds. (See the refund policy for further details)
- Duplicate applications will result in removal of both applications from the drawing.

### Step **2**: **CHOOSE A LICENSE**

- **Choose only one license type, you may not submit more than one application (Note; licenses are non-transferable)**
- The hunter access enhancement, state lands use (for hunting, fishing and trapping) search & rescue fees and drawing fees, where applicable have been included in the price on the application for the non-resident combination licenses.
- **General Nonresident Combination Licenses:** These licenses are issued through a random drawing and do not require a Sponsor.
- **Outfitter Sponsored Licenses:** Certification by an Outfitter is required to qualify for the Outfitter sponsored combination licenses. The certifying Outfitter must be currently licensed by the Montana Board of Outfitters in order to obtain a certificate. Outfitters must direct the hunting activities of the applicant, inform the hunter of Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks hunting laws and provide hunting only on land within the Outfitter's operation plan. Outfitter Certificates must accompany Outfitter sponsored applications. **BIG GAME HUNTING AUTHORIZED THROUGH THESE LICENSES CANNOT BE CONDUCTED WITHOUT A LICENSED OUTFITTER.** (Licenses will be sent to your Sponsoring Outfitter.)
- **Landowner Sponsored Licenses:** Landowner sponsors must be residents of the State of Montana enrolled in the Landowner Sponsor Program with FWP. The Landowner must direct the hunting activities of the applicant, inform the hunter of Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks hunting laws and provide hunting only on deeded land of the landowner. Landowner Certificate must accompany landowner sponsored applications. **DEER HUNTING AUTHORIZED THROUGH THESE LICENSES CANNOT BE CONDUCTED OUTSIDE DEEDED LAND OWNED BY THE SPONSORING LANDOWNER.** (Any additional Deer B licenses purchased must be used only on the deeded land.)
- **Bonus point system:** Applicants may choose to participate in the Bonus Point system if applying for one of the "General Combination Licenses" (Bonus points do not apply to Sponsored licenses) Please check the appropriate box and if you wish to participate include the \$20.00 nonrefundable fee along with your license fee. If you elect to participate and are unsuccessful, you will receive a bonus point, which equates to an additional "chance" in next years drawing. (2 chances next year, 3 chances the third year, etc.) See additional information on bonus point system on back.
- **Attention Bow hunters:** To purchase a Bow & Arrow license all bow hunters must:
  - \* provide a copy of a National Bow hunter Education Foundation(NBEF) certificate OR provide any prior year bow hunting/archery stamp, tag , permit or license from any state or province.
  - \* all bow hunters born on or after January 1,1985 must show proof of also completing a Hunter Education program before purchasing any hunting license.

### Step **3**: **APPLY AS A PARTY**

- If applying as a Party, check the box and list **ALL** the party members.
- **PARTY APPLICATIONS:** Up to 5 individuals will be accepted. Mail in party applications must be sent in the same envelope & each party member must complete & sign his/her own application. Parties must apply for the same category of license, except that parties with a mixture of General Big Game and General Elk application will be acceptable. If the party rules are not followed, the applications will be processed **WITHOUT** party status. **APPLICATIONS IN ERROR WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE PARTY AND REMAINING ONES PROCESSED AS A PARTY.** NOTE: Parties are not eligible for phase one of the landowner sponsor drawing. Please refer to the Annual Rule under "Procedures for Sale of Landowner Sponsored Deer Combination Licenses" for details. Bonus point participation must be the same for all members of the party. **APPLYING AS A PARTY DOES NOT ALLOW THE TRANSFER OF LICENSES, EACH INDIVIDUAL IN THE PARTY MUST HARVEST THEIR OWN GAME.**
- In a drawing, single individuals or entire parties each have one chance to be drawn.

The procedures for the issuance of non-resident combination licenses are outlined in the Annual Rule.  
Big Game season dates for 2009 will be set at the February, 2009 FWP Commission meeting and the dates will be posted on our website.  
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